

There will be also a meeting of the Local Government Committee tomorrow during the lunch recess to consider Resolution No. 1 and interim provision.

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Mudd.

DELEGATE MUDD: Mr. Chairman, I would like to request the Committee on the Judicial Branch to meet in our office tomorrow morning at 9 A.M. to consider the pending amendment proposed by Delegate Clark.

THE PRESIDENT: Are there any other announcements by committee chairmen? Delegate Penniman.

DELEGATE PENNIMAN: Mr. President, I would like to ask the Committee on Style to meet again this evening at 7:30 P.M.

THE PRESIDENT: Are there any other announcements?

Any delegates present now not present in roll call may signify their presence on the roll call.

Are there any other announcements?

(There was no response.)

The Chair recognizes Delegate Powers.

DELEGATE POWERS: Mr. President, I move we adjourn until 10 A.M. tomorrow morning.

THE PRESIDENT: Second?

(Whereupon, the motion was duly seconded.)

All those in favor signify by saying Aye; contrary, No. The Ayes have it. It is so ordered.

(Whereupon, at 6:05 P.M., the Convention was adjourned to reconvene at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, November 22, 1967.)

PLENARY SESSION

NOVEMBER 22, 1967—10:00 A.M.

PRESIDENT H. VERNON ENEY,
PRESIDING

THE PRESIDENT: The Sergeant-at-Arms will clear the aisles and close the doors.

The Convention will please come to order.

The invocation this morning will be offered by the Reverend Carroll R. Gunkel

of Trinity Methodist Church, Catonsville. Reverend Gunkel.

REVEREND GUNKEL: Let us pray: Almighty and most gracious God, the first thoughts which come into our minds in the morning hour, the first words which come forth from our lips are thoughts and words of thanksgiving that Thou has brought us from the darkness of night to the light of yet another day; and though that day is cloudy and cold and foggy, we know that there is nothing upon this earth which can hide Thy love from us; so enable us, O Lord, as we come in this hour to be properly thankful for Thy past blessings, and to look forward with continuing hope for Thy mercy and Thy love to rest upon us. We invoke Thy blessing most heartily upon these delegates assembled in this Convention. We pray Thy blessing and Thy benediction upon each and every one of them as they travel back and forth from their homes to this place of work. Grant unto them every traveling mercy.

As they leave their families, may they know that they leave their families in Thy care and keeping and will return to their love.

We pray, O Lord, that as they come into this time and this place that Thou wilt endow them with wisdom, courage and strength. Thou does know, gracious Father, that they have been prayed over a great deal, and yet help us, O Lord, that we may realize that every prayer is lifted to Thee for them because in them rests the well-being of our State.

We are thankful for this democracy which brings these delegates together and which brings us all to this time and this place. Reach out Thy hand of blessing unto the presiding officer and all of the leaders of this Convention, and of our entire State and nation, that surely the work which we do may bring about peace and understanding and well-being in our State and unto the ends of the earth.

Help us, Father, that as the days grow long, and our tempers grow short, that we may always be patient with one another, always seeking to give love, no matter what we may receive. Help us that when times come where wisdom grows thin and ideas seemingly disappear, that Thy inspiration would rest upon each of these delegates, that Thou will inspire them and lift them to great heights of achievement. Bless those who are given unto us to lead, that they may lead with wisdom and honor and glory, and give unto us those who are